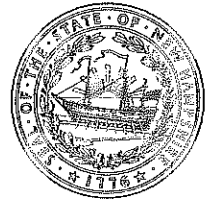




The State of New Hampshire  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

March 15, 2010

Mr. John MacDonald  
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Northeast Utilities  
Public Service of New Hampshire  
780 North Commercial Street  
Manchester, NH 03101

**Re: Proposed Title V Operating Permit for  
Public Service of New Hampshire, Merrimack Station  
Facility Identification #3301300026, Application # FY96-TV048**

Dear Mr. MacDonald:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services hereby issues the enclosed proposed Title V Operating Permit in accordance with the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules *Env-A 100 et seq.*, *New Hampshire Rules Governing the Control of Air Pollution*. This permit has been submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency, Region I (EPA) for review. EPA has 45 days, beginning March 15, 2010 in which to object to the issuance of the permit. If no objection is made by the end of the 45-day period, DES will issue a final permit identical to the proposed permit. If an objection is made, DES will follow the provisions as outlined in Env-A 609.14, *Department Action Following EPA Objection*.

This proposed permit represents the final action by the Director to grant this Title V Operating Permit pursuant to Env-A 622.08, *Decisions*. Any person aggrieved by the Director's final action may appeal such action in accordance with Env-A 622.09, *Appeals*. Any appeal must be filed with the Air Resources Council within 10 days of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Gary Milbury at (603) 271-2630 or via e-mail at [gary.milbury@des.nh.gov](mailto:gary.milbury@des.nh.gov).

Sincerely,

Robert R. Scott  
Director  
Air Resources Division

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Enclosures: Proposed Title V Operating Permit  
Permit Application Review Summary  
Findings of Fact and Director's Decision

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